



## **MUNICIPAL PARKS AND HARBOR RULES**

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## **QUICK REFERENCE INFORMATION**

### **PARK TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

**GATE HOUSE 313-884-7018**

**POOL OFFICE 313-884-2305**

**PARK FAX 313-881-5629**

**PUBLIC SAFETY 313-881-5500**

**EMERGENCY - 911**

### **PARK HOURS**

**April 15 - Memorial Day: 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM**

**Memorial Day – Labor Day: 6:00 AM – 12 Midnight**

**Labor Day – November 15<sup>th</sup>: 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM**

**November 15<sup>th</sup> – April 15<sup>th</sup>: 7:00AM – 7:00 PM**

### **VERNIER HILL SLEDDING HOURS**

**Weekdays 3:00 pm to Dusk**

**Weekends 11:00 am to Dusk**

**Weather Permitting**

## WELCOME TO THE VILLAGE OF GROSSE POINTE SHORES RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

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The (George Osius) Municipal Park is located at 800 Lake Shore Road across from the Municipal Building and next to the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. The park was named after the first Village President who took office in 1911 when this community was first incorporated as a Village. The Park opened shortly after that as a recreational facility when the land became the property of the Village.

Activities at the park include picnicking, boating, swimming, tennis, basketball, volleyball, ice skating and sledding. Of course, simple walking and enjoyment of the grounds in general is always a favorite pastime. Residents and their guests are encouraged to enjoy the lake view from the walkway and outlooks installed in 2002 with funds generously donated by the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation, and the beautiful new gardens added by the Village at the same time.

The (Eleanor Clay Ford) swimming pool, tot pool, and bath house were constructed and opened in 1964. The original playground equipment for the Tot Lot play area was donated in memory of Mr. Richard C. Mertz, Sr. and his wife, Jane by members of their family. A new play scape was erected in 2008 which meets all the new safety regulations. This was a joint project of the Park and Harbor Committee and the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation. A splash pad was installed and completed in 2014. This was paid for with funds from the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation in cooperation with Grosse Pointe Shores. A Tot-Lot was installed in Spring 2019 paid for with funds from the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation in cooperation with Grosse Pointe Shores.

A pavilion was constructed in 2006 to provide shelter in inclement weather. This facility was paid for with funds from the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation in cooperation with Grosse Pointe Shores.

A total reconstruction of the harbor was completed in 2008 providing GPS boaters a total of 133 new floating boat slips.

Schroeder Fields, located behind the Department of Public Works building, encompasses the Gerald C. Schroeder Recreational Area. A state-of-the art soccer field for athletes 12 and under, a Little League diamond and a sledding hill are located in Schroeder Fields. When weather permits, winter activities at this park include sledding for resident children and guests on what has become known as “Vernier Hill”.

Schroeder Field House was constructed in 2011 to provide facilities for Schroeder Fields and is located next to the gate by the DPW building. This facility was paid for with funds from the Grosse Pointe Shores Improvement Foundation.

## DOG PARK RULES

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The Dog Park is a fenced in area that is adjacent to the parking lot of the city offices. This facility is for resident dogs only and all dogs must be attended to at all times. Any unattended dog(s) will be handled by the Public Safety Department policies. Residents may obtain key fob access to the dog park at a cost of \$10 upon application at city offices with proof of vaccinations and dog license. Key fobs will be forfeited for violation of dog park rules.

The park contains benches, picnic table, a pet drinking fountain and agility course pieces.

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We hope you enjoy and appreciate all of our recreational facilities, and that you will help keep them clean and beautiful.

## GENERAL RULES

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The following rules are issued for the safety and well being of all using our facilities.

- **No rollerblading, skateboarding, or bike riding on park grounds – bikes must be walked in and out of the premises and placed in the bike rack.**
- **No pets are allowed on park grounds unless, carried or walking on a leash, to/from a boat.**
- **No congregating in the Gate House area – the attendant must be allowed to do his/her job.**
- **Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.**
- **Smoking is prohibited in all buildings and on pool decks and within 15’ of any doorway**
- **Children less than eight (8) years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times.**
- **All dogs must be licensed and vaccinated as per the requirements of the dog licensing policy.**

## PARKS RULES

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The Park Ranger and Pool Supervisor, (when in season) shall be responsible for interpreting and enforcing all Park regulations and is in charge of the day to day operation of the parks. Any questions/concerns should be communicated to the Park Ranger and/or Pool Supervisor. If further action is necessary, please report your concerns to the City Administrative offices. Injuries, vandalism or damage to the park grounds or equipment, must be immediately reported to the Park Ranger and/or Pool Supervisor.

This booklet has been prepared for the express purpose of ensuring safe recreational activities for our residents and their guests. It is imperative that all persons enjoying the facilities have a clear and full understanding of these rules. They are to be followed accordingly. Communication is of the utmost importance in order for the Village to provide its residents with the best possible recreational experience. The rules must be conveyed to family members, guests, and those whose English language is limited. Parents and /or guardians are obliged to make certain that their children understand the rules and directions given to them by park personnel, and be able to clearly communicate any concern to the appropriate park authority while utilizing the park facilities. Should further clarification of any of the rules be necessary, the Supervisory Staff will be happy to assist you. Your full cooperation in adhering to GPS parks rules is appreciated!

## PARK SEASON

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The recreational facilities are open year round for the appropriate seasonal activities weather and staff permitting.

## **PARKS HOURS**

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Beginning the Friday of Memorial Day weekend, the park gates are open from 6:00 am until midnight daily. You must have an adult pass to remain in the park after dark. Minor children may remain only if accompanied by an adult – **Children less than eight (8) years of age must be accompanied by a parent / guardian at all times.**

## **ADMITTANCE RULES**

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**Admittance by Grosse Pointe Shores residents into the park is by validated park pass ONLY – This must be shown to the Park Ranger EACH time the park is entered. The Park Ranger is instructed to identify each resident by park pass – residents, as well as non-residents may be asked to identify themselves at any time during their use of the facilities.** “Resident” park passes are issued to adult residents and children eight (8) years of age and older. Children under eight are admitted only when accompanied by a parent/guardian. Park passes may be exchanged for park tags at the Park Office for residents under the age of 16. A new and second gatehouse and entryway was constructed in 2018. Park passes will be encoded with a new scan code program for the 2019 season to insure valid residency.

**PASSES WILL BE REVOKED UPON ABUSE OF PRIVILEGES!**

## **PARK PASS APPLICATIONS**

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**Grosse Pointe Shores Municipal Park Passes will be validated ONLY for family members (eight years of age and up) PERMANENTLY living at the residence address and corresponding to the police census. NON-RESIDENTS CANNOT BE INCLUDED ON THE FORM. The application form MUST BE COMPLETED (including ages) AND RETURNED WHETHER OR NOT PARK PASSES ARE DESIRED SO THE POLICE CENSUS CAN BE UPDATED.**

Upon return of the form, the park passes will be checked for verification of residency (Adults: Title to home, formal rental agreement, driver’s license or voter’s registration. Children: Birth certificate, school I.D.). Short of a photo I.D., these provide the best possible source of safety and security for our residents. Once verified, the passes will be available for pickup (by an adult 18 or older) at the Public Safety desk (795 Lake Shore Road) beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>. Current passes should be kept for winter use as weather conditions permit. Replacement park passes may be issue at a cost \$5.00 through adult application only.

## **GUEST PRIVILEGES**

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“Resident” park passes contain twelve punches for the admittance of guests. The pass must be shown to the Park Ranger and punched once per guest brought into the park. Residents are responsible for the actions of their guests, and must remain with them during their entire stay in the park. Guests must leave when their resident host leaves the premises. Residents having **BONA FIDE OUT-OF-TOWN (OUTSIDE THE TRI-COUNTY AREA)** guests staying in their home for periods of one week or more may request temporary “House Guest” passes from the GPS Administrative Office. Appropriate ID will be required before a guest pass is issued. These passes are for the personal use of the guest and do not contain guest punches. Guest passes must be turned in to the Park Ranger on the last effective date shown on the pass. Records of all guest passes issued are kept on file both at the Gate House and the GPS

Administrative Office. House Guest passes are issued for two week intervals, for a maximum of six weeks, and **CANNOT** be exchanged for park tags.

## COOPERATION WITH THE PARK RANGER IS APPRECIATED!

### RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**Basketball\*** - a full court is available on a first come –first serve basis.

**Boating** – (See “Harbor “section)

**Fishing-** Only from the North and East outer walls during regular park hours.

**Playscape & Tot Lot** - A play area for children. Children **MUST** be supervised by a parent/guardian at ALL times.

**Swimming-**(Please see Pool area regulations section)

**Tether Ball\*** - Available on a fist come first serve basis.

**Shuffle Board Court-**On first come basis as well.

**Tennis-** A resident tennis player may bring up to three guests to make up a doubles match. Guests must be registered with the Park Ranger. Courts may be reserved/used from 6:00 am until 10:00 pm. Court reservations may be made after 4 pm the day before the match. Court time is allotted in one hour segments. If space is available additional court time may be reserved in half hour increments.

**Pickle Ball** – Available on first-come, first-serve basis.

**Corn Hole Toss** – Available on first-come, first-serve basis.

**\*Volleyball** –Available from 6:00 am until 10:00 pm.

\*Balls and Bean bags for these actives may be obtained at the Park Pool Office.

Reservation for tennis, pickle ball and volleyball may be made by calling the Gate House. Rotation for the use of **all** courts is on a half hour and one hour basis – common courtesy is appreciated.

### PICNICS/PARTIES/RESERVATIONS

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Picnic reservations may be scheduled through the Administrative Office on a first-come, first-serve basis. **Reservations are not taken for Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day holidays and City sponsored events (e.g. splash party), etc.** Picnics not reserved ahead of time, are allowed if space is available on a first-come, first-serve basis on that particular day. The grills and grounds utilized must be cleaned prior to departure. The **Picnic Host** must stay for the duration of their event with the exception of a 30-minute window in which case the host must let a Park Ranger know. Each host is responsible for the conduct of his/her guests and for any damage to park grounds/equipment. ***Reservations for picnics are not accepted, or considered,***

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*until the first week in April.* The pavilion may be reserved for parties of up to 100 individuals Monday through Friday. Due to current parking limitations, no more than 75 individuals per group Saturday and Sunday. If the pavilion is not reserved on a particular day, it is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. City sponsored events, including, without limitation, Grosse Pointe Shores Swim Team activities, are exempt from these rules. See the Grosse Pointe Shores Facility Use Policy for current usage fees and refundable deposit requirements for the use of the pavilion.

If guest(s) are expected, the resident must accompany the guest(s) into the park. For 10 or more guests, the resident must leave the names of all guests(s) and their expected time of arrival with the City office staff two weeks prior to the event. The sponsor may make any corrections to that list and provide the updated list to the Park Ranger prior to the event. The Park Ranger will check off the name of each guest on the list upon arrival. Unlisted guests will not be admitted.

## **POOL AREA REGULATIONS**

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Pool hours from Memorial Day Weekend through pool closing (normally after Labor Day Weekend) are 10:00 am until 9:00 pm. However, the pool will be closed for adverse weather conditions and during city sponsored events (e.g. Swim Team meets). Closure will be determined by the Pool Director. Please call the Pool Office at 313-884-2305 to confirm hours.

Weather conditions permitting, a lifeguard is on duty from 6:00 am to 7:15 am every day except Thursday for early morning adult lap swimming. This activity usually begins the second week in June. Please call the Pool Office to confirm the start date. The cooperation of the early morning swimmers in leaving the locker rooms in a timely manner following their swim time is greatly appreciated.

**LOCKS MUST BE USED WHEN USING LOCKERS**, and must be removed when leaving the premises each day. **Valuables MAY Not be left at the Park Office – The Village is not responsible for the loss of valuables.**

## **POOL AND DECK CONDUCT**

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- Only suitable bathing attire will be allowed.
- A shower is recommended prior to entering the pool.
- Loitering is not allowed in the locker and shower rooms.
- Food, gum, candy, or beverages are not allowed in the pool areas and locker rooms -water in non-breakable bottles is allowed.
- Hair pins, clips, etc., must be removed prior to entering the pool.
- Deck furniture is not to be removed from pool area.
- Deck chairs are not to be dragged when moving them within the pool area.
- Deck chairs are not to be saved with unattended towels for extended periods of time.
- No floating devices of any kind, including life jackets, are allowed in the main pool.
- Ropes or lane markers must not be played with or leaned upon.
- The south lane of the pool is reserved for lap swimming only.
- Ladders must be used for exiting the pool.
- No visiting with life guards while they are on duty.
- Persons with vaccinations during the scab stage, open sores, athlete's foot or plantar warts will be excluded from swimming. All questionable health cases must be directed to the Pool Supervisor.

## WADING POOL AND SPLASH PAD

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(For children six (6) and under)

- **ALL** children in the wading pool and splash pad area **must be** attended by a parent or guardian. The child **MAY NOT** be left unattended. If the parent/guardian wishes to leave the premises for **ANY** reason the child must also leave.
- Children not yet potty trained **MUST** wear tight fitting swim diapers while in the pool(s).

## VERNIER HILL ADMITTANCE

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Admittance into the Schroeder Fields Recreational Area (Vernier Hill) during the winter season is by valid park pass for residents and their guests. **Retain park passes for use at the winter recreational facilities.**

- Sledding and ice skating is subject to weather conditions and staff availability. It is suggested residents call the Gate House to confirm that either the hill or skating rink are open.

**WEEKEDAY HOURS 3:00 PM TO DUSK**

**WEEKEND HOURS 11:00 AM TO DUSK**

**GATE HOUSE 884-7018**

**PUBLIC SAFETY (NON-EMERGENCY) 881-5500**

## HARBOR AND MARINA RULES

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The Harbor Master shall be responsible for the general supervision of the Harbor and Marina and shall be responsible for interpreting these rules. All boats in the harbor shall be operated in accordance with these rules and the directions given by the Harbor Master. All residents and their guests shall conduct themselves accordingly.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

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The harbor opens on April 15, and closes November 15, of each year. Between May 15 and September 15 a Park Ranger will be on duty 24 hours/day. At midnight, the parking lot gates to Lake Shore Road will be locked and only opened to allow cars to exit.

All boats must be registered, operable as designed, and actively used. The harbor is not to be used as a boat storage yard. Carts are available for transporting items to and from boats. Carts are not to be left on the dock or in the picnic areas and they must be returned immediately to the designated area by the Gate House.

Grosse Pointe Shores well occupants and guests wishing to leave their automobiles in the parking lot while on overnight boat trips must notify the Park Ranger (313-884-7018) and park their vehicle(s) along the Lake Shore Road fence.

Well occupants who have live aboard facilities (i.e., an enclosed sleeping area, galley, head, etc.) are allowed overnight stays, after notifying the Harbor Master and/or Park Ranger and completing the appropriate form. The Harbor Master or Park Ranger must be notified if the duration of the overnight stay changes. All overnight occupants must remain onboard the boat between 12:00 am and 5:00 am. No one under the age of 18 is permitted to spend the night on a boat without the presence of a parent or guardian. Noise must be kept to a minimum at all times.

Cooking shall be confined to the galley. Exterior portable gas/charcoal grills are prohibited on board or on the docks or walk ways. No open fires are allowed.

Pets are permitted on boats. All pets must be licensed. (Contact the Public Safety Department for license requirements). While walking from the parking lot to the boat, pets must be on a tight leash or carried to and from boats. Pet owners are responsible for any clean-up that may be required as a result of the pets' walk to or from boats.

## **VESSEL OWNERSHIP AND RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS**

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Subject to the last paragraph of this section, well permits will be issued to persons who are bona fide residents of Grosse Pointe Shores or sponsored nonresidents residing in one of the other Grosse Pointes. To qualify as a "resident" well holder, non-resident applicants must have a resident in one of the Grosse Pointe's. If the holder of a well permit ceases to be a bona fide resident, the permit automatically terminates at the end of the season unless notified by the harbor master. If a boat is jointly owned, all joint owners must be bona fide residents of Grosse Pointe Shores or sponsored nonresidents. .

Upon application for a boat well from a resident, the Harbor Master may find that a boat titled to a corporation is in fact under the custody, control and principle use of the resident. In such case the Harbor Master can attribute ownership of the boat to the resident.

Decisions of the Harbor Master with respect to residency attribution of ownership or questions involving the effective custody, control and the principal use of the boat in question are subject to review by the City Manager and, thereafter the Harbor Committee, but shall be modified only if conclusive documentation is produced.

If wells are available, an eligible resident may apply for a second well. Such a request will only be granted if there are no residents requesting the well for their first boat.

Where wells have not been reserved by February 20<sup>th</sup> of a given year, the City Manager may issue a notice that non-resident guests sponsored by residents may apply for permits for excess wells. Guest well occupants shall pay a rental fee pursuant to a schedule to be established by the City Council. Guest wells shall be issued on a first come, first served basis. Guest well occupants shall be subject to all rules applicable to resident well occupants.

## **WELL ASSIGNMENT AND FEES**

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Once an eligible resident is assigned a well, such resident retains the same well for consecutive seasons. However, the resident must reapply for the well each season and must comply with all harbor rules.

If a current well occupant applies for a different well, such current well occupant will be given preference over a new applicant/resident. If two or more well occupants apply for an open well, the well occupant that has resided in the harbor the longest will be given preference. If two or more new applicant/residents apply for the same available well, the resident who has been a bona fide Grosse Pointe Shores resident the longest, will be given preference.

Second wells are not retained for consecutive seasons and must be reapplied for after all “first-well” applicants have been accommodated. Guest wells are likewise not retained for consecutive seasons, and may be obtained only after the City Manager issues a notice that guest wells are available.

All first well applicants, or those being retained for a consecutive season, must have applications and related documents on file and make 1<sup>st</sup> installment payment of 50% of the well fee by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Failure to comply with the above requirements will cause the well in question to be considered available and offered to other residents. Payment in full must be received by February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Boats may be moored in the Harbor no earlier than April 15<sup>th</sup> and must be removed by November 15<sup>th</sup>. Wells must be occupied by June 1<sup>st</sup>. Request for extensions must be made in writing to the Harbor Master prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>. Failure to occupy will be considered abandonment and the well will be reassigned. Request to occupy a well prior to April 15<sup>th</sup> or after November 15<sup>th</sup>, due to extenuating circumstances, must be made in writing to the Harbor Master and may be subject to additional fees.

Boat well deposits, equal to 15% of the total well fee are non-refundable. Partial refunds of well fee balance will be considered in unique situations. Only written refund requests will be considered and none after July 1<sup>st</sup>. In the event that a boat well occupant removes their boat midseason and the City is able to rent the well to another boater, the City will refund a pro-rated portion of the original well occupant’s fee minus a \$50 administrative processing fee.

First time well occupants assigned a well shall pay a one hundred fifty (\$150) dollar initiation fee.

Following a review by the City Manager and the Harbor Committee, annual fees for wells are established and/or revised by the City Council based on the square foot area of the well space, (Listing of current boat well fees is available at the Administrative Office). A daily well fee will be charged for transient guest boat privileges at \$30 dollars per overnight stay, not to exceed 5 days..

No boat well may be occupied without a current permit and full payment of all well charges in advance. No permit shall be issued without a completed application, signed by the owner(s). Said application shall be accompanied by a current certificate of insurance showing liability and property damage insurance coverage on the craft for which the well space is requested. In addition, a current State of Michigan Watercraft Registration Certificate or documented papers issued by the Federal Government must be submitted.

No boat well applicant may be under the age of eighteen (18). No applicant will be considered for re-application who is in material violation of the Harbor Rules.

Applications for permits, in cases where no boat well of proper size is available, shall be placed on a waiting list by well size in the order in which they are received. When applications for a well contain the same date, the applicants with the longest (bona fide) residence in the City shall have precedence to the well. The waiting list is considered a public record and open to inspection during regular park office hours.

Permits shall be issued, and boat wells assigned as they become available, to the person standing highest on the waiting list for a well of the size then available. If a permit for the coming season is offered to an applicant and the assigned well is of proper dimensions for the boat, the applicant shall be required to either

accept same or be placed at the bottom of the waiting list. If the offer is made after April 1, the applicant may elect to be passed over and keep his place on the waiting list. Applicants on the waiting list may be asked at intervals to confirm their interest in a boat well. Any who fail to confirm within fourteen (14) days after the confirmation request shall be removed from the list.

Grosse Pointe Shores reserves the right to assign or re-assign boat wells as necessary for best harbor utilization. Grosse Pointe Shores does not guarantee availability of appropriate well space for boat size changes.

A well permit applies only to the boat and boat well specified in the permit. If there is a transfer of boat ownership, the permit is automatically terminated. The former well occupant may, by application, have the permit changed to cover another boat owned by him/her, which boat may not exceed the overall dimensions specified for the particular well in question. Providing a well is available, may be re-assigned a larger or smaller boat well.

Boats sold to non-residents must be removed from the harbor within one week of the sale, unless the new owner becomes a resident sponsored guest within this period, as described above.

Payment of the season's charges shall be required prior to issuance (or renewal) of a permit. If full payment is not received within one week after its request, the boater's right shall be terminated. Incomplete applications, or failure to provide copies of a current Certificate of Insurance and State Certificate of Registration shall be grounds for cancellation. Boat well fees are non-refundable after June 1<sup>st</sup>.

By making a well application, the resident represents to the harbor that he/she possesses sufficient boating operating skills and experience to handle the vessel within the confines of the Grosse Pointe Shores and Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Harbor without endangering either persons or property. If the Harbor Master determines that said resident does not possess such capabilities, the Harbor Master may take remedial action up to and including revocation of an existing well assignment.

## **WELL USE AND HARBOR ETIQUETTE**

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Boats shall be maintained such that they are safe, seaworthy, equipped and meet all necessary approved U.S. Coast Guard safety regulations (to include MC numbers unless federally registered). Boats shall be moored properly and entirely within the confines of the assigned well with no equipment or attachments protruding onto the dock walkways or into the fairway obstructing free and safe movement of other vessels. All boats shall be operated in a safe and seaman like manner at all times. GPPS or USCG Auxiliary will periodically conduct vessel safety checks on an annual basis. (TBA)

The waters of the Grosse Pointe Shores Harbor shall not be fouled in any manner. No garbage, oil, sludge, refuse matter, sewage or waste material of any kind shall be thrown, deposited or permitted to fall in the water, or upon the piers, docks or shore areas of the harbor. Such waste material must be placed in the appropriate receptacles provided by the City.

Legally registered tenders are allowed to float entirely in the well (not protrude into fairway or other wells). Also, we do allow tenders to be separately permitted on jet docks provided they do not interfere with egress for jet skis or other tenders permitted for use on other jet docks. Kayaks canoes and surf boards or inflatables are not allowed to be stored on the docks.

The boat for which the permit is issued shall be used strictly for private recreational purposes and not for commercial purposes. Boats shall not be rented out or chartered using the harbor as a base of operations. Signs, (including “For Sale” signs) placards or displays are not permitted on the outside of the boat.

No boat shall be operated at a faster rate than idle speed in or about the harbor. The “No Wake” law will be strictly enforced. Extreme care must be taken in the operation all boats to prevent danger to life or property. No un-muffled exhausts or unusual noise shall be permitted at any time. Operation of boats and personal watercraft (PWC) by persons less than sixteen (16) years of age shall be governed by the provisions of the appropriate Michigan State Safety Provisions and Guidelines as set forth in applicable City Ordinance or State Law.

The Director of Public Safety or an authorized member of the Public Safety Department shall have authority to inspect all boats moored at the Grosse Pointe Shores Harbor. The Department may make reasonable rules and regulations to protect City property and boats moored in the harbor.

Dock boxes are provided at each well. They are for the convenience of the user of the well permit. They may not be painted, nor have any signs, names or insignia be painted or affixed to the boxes. If the dock box is kept locked by the well occupant, it must be left unlocked at the end of the season.

All boat wells have been constructed with adequate fender boards, mooring line holders and cleats. If, due to the construction details on individual boats, additional rubbing strips are necessary, standard rubber strips compatible with the installed items will be provided at the boat owners’ expense. No automobile tires, carpets, rubber hoses or other substitutes will be permitted. No modifications to the structure of the boat wells may be made without the approval of the Park & Harbor Committee following written application for the proposed modification to the Harbor Master. Such application shall include a complete description of the proposed modification.

Boat owners are responsible for all vessel maintenance including, but not limited to, the covering and bailing of boats. In the event of sinking, the owner is responsible for raising the vessel within one week and all associated costs. After one week(or sooner if fluids are leaking), the Harbor Master may raise the vessel at the owner’s expense.

Wells must be maintained in a neat, orderly and safe condition. Docks may not be obstructed by lines, hoses or any other gear. The cleaning of paint brushes on walks or docks is prohibited. Exterior or outside sanding, spraying of any paint or coating or any activity that could potentially adversely affect any other boat or the environment or would be more appropriately performed at a boat yard, is prohibited. All work on boats by outside labor, except emergency repairs, must be conducted between the hours of 8am and 4pm, Monday through Friday. All docks and walkways must be cleared of any equipment and tools by 4pm daily. Open flame tools are prohibited.

## **ENTERING AND LEAVING THE HARBOR**

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Rules of the road provide that boats leaving the harbor have the right of way over boats entering.

Boats underway within the harbor must operate at idle speed producing “No Wake”! Boaters must watch for other boats pulling out or entering nearby wells or operating in the fairway.

Boaters are encouraged to use their VHF marine radio to contact the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Harbor Office to request the drawbridge be opened or to request service at the fuel dock. The GPYC Harbor Office monitors channel 09. The reason for the use of the marine radio is to reduce noise and to provide other boaters of traffic.

If the boat is not equipped with a marine radio, the following horn signals are to be used. One blast when leaving the well (this is optional), two blasts for service at the GPYC fuel dock and three blasts to request opening of the bridge.

## **FUELING AND PUMP OUT**

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No refueling of watercraft will be allowed in the Grosse Pointe Shores Harbor. This is in accordance with the National Fire Protection Association 302: “All pleasure and commercial motor craft shall be fueled at stations or other specifically designated remote locations.” Only outboard gasoline containers (quick coupling connection) are allowed for outboard motors. N.F.P.A. 302 prohibits the fueling of boats equipped with inboard engines, in locations such as boat wells.

Grosse Pointe Shores well occupants are welcome to purchase gas or diesel fuel from the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club. The Grosse Pointe Yacht Club’s sanitary pump-out facility is also available for use by Grosse Pointe Shores for a nominal fee. The GPYC accepts Visa, Master Card or Cash.

**GPYC HARBOR TOWER 313-640-7000**

## **PERSONAL WATERCRAFT**

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Personal Watercraft (PWC) are permitted in Grosse Pointe Shores Harbor provided that proof of bona fide resident ownership and insurance is filed with Harbor Master. For an annual fee, PWC may be stored on floating dock pods in the area designated by the Harbor Master. Residents can apply to use one of the pods. The same rules for well assignments apply to the available pods, except that a pod is not considered a second well and can be retained for consecutive seasons. PWC owners will be responsible for all persons operating their PWC within the harbor. PWC usage within the harbor shall be limited to leaving and entering. Excessive travel or unsafe operation within the harbor will result in the loss of the privilege to operate the vessel within the harbor. It is prohibited to store PWC in the boat well unless the PWC is out of the water and sitting on the boat.

The Harbor Master reserves the right to reassign the location of any Personal Watercraft located anywhere within the harbor for reasons related to harbor utilization.

The owners of PWC are required to acquire a pamphlet titled Michigan Personal Watercraft Regulations published by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (copies are available in the Park Office). It is the responsibility of each owner to make sure anyone who is operating or riding on the PWC has knowledge of the information contained in this publication and is entrusted to abide by all regulations and laws.

All Grosse Pointe Shores Harbor Rules and Regulations apply to PWC moored or operated in the harbor as they do to all other vessels. The use of personal watercraft within the harbor must be in compliance with Michigan State Law governing their operation. Owners of PWC are responsible to see that anyone operating the PWC is familiar with the operating characteristics of the watercraft before they are allowed to pilot the craft. Unauthorized docking on jet docks that are assigned will have to moved within 24 hours or it will be towed at PWC owners expense.

## **NON-MOTORIZED WATERCRAFT**

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Non-Motorized Watercraft are permitted in the Grosse Pointe Shores Harbor provided that proof of resident ownership and filed with the Harbor Master. For an annual fee, Non-Motorized Watercraft may be stored in dry storage racks (must fit within the dimension of the storage rack) and launched from a ramp in areas designated by the Harbor Master. The same rules for well assignments apply for Non-Motorized Watercraft except that a designated rack storage location is not considered a second well and can be retained for consecutive seasons. Non-Motorized Watercraft owners will be responsible for all persons operating their Non-Motorized Watercraft within the harbor. Non-Motorized Watercraft usage in the harbor shall be limited to leaving and entering. Excessive travel or unsafe operation within the harbor will result in the loss of the privilege to operate the vessel within the harbor.

## **ELECTRICAL POWER**

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Electrical outlets are provided at each boat well and may be used for fees as regulated by the City Council. Flat fee of \$110 for the season. Boats requiring electrical power must comply with the current National Electrical Code.

All wells that can accommodate a boat forty five (45) feet or larger will have metered electrical service. Fees for power usage will be billed three times during the season.

## **GUEST OR TRANSIENT WELL**

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For purpose of harbor utilization, boat owners must notify the Harbor Master if the boat will be out of the harbor for a period of five consecutive days or more. Departure and return dates must be provided. Boaters are responsible for notifying the Harbor Master if the return date changes from that originally given. This will insure that the well is available upon arrival. If a boat owner's well is assigned to a guest boat during a period of absence, the guest will be instructed not to use or adjust permanent dock lines or power cords which remain at the well during the boat's absence.

If the boat is assigned a well which has metered electrical services, the owner should request that a harbor attendant read the meter upon departure and return so that the boat owner is not charged for electricity while out of the harbor.

Guest boats remaining in the harbor for a period between four (4) and twenty four (24) hours will be considered to have spent one day in the harbor and a guest fee will be charged. The Harbor Master can be consulted for the current daily guest fee for the assigned well.

## **FAMILY, GUESTS AND WORKERS**

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Immediate, non-resident family members (limited to parents, children, and grandchildren) of well occupants can apply for a "Family Boater" Harbor Pass. This pass can only be used by the identified family member(s) to access the resident's boat in the harbor.

If guest(s)/crew are expected on board, the well occupant must accompany the guest(s)/crew into the park or leave the names of all guests(s)/crew with the Park Ranger and their expected time of arrival. The Park Ranger will complete a "Boat Guest" form registering the name of each guest.

Well occupants must register the names of their hired workers (crews, boat maintenance personnel, contract laborers, caregivers, etc.) with the Park Ranger at the front gate. The reason for registering the workers is to authorize their admittance to the harbor during the boating season and to do so expeditiously while maintaining the security of the Park and Harbor.

A Hired Worker's List Form is available at the front gate. If there are regularly scheduled individuals who will need access to the harbor, the well occupant must complete and return the form to the front gate at their earliest convenience. It is the well occupant's responsibility to update, change or delete those on the register on a timely basis.

Under extenuating circumstances the names of the guests described above may be called in. The well occupant is, at all times, held responsible for the conduct of their guests and/or employees – guests shall leave when their resident host leaves the premises.

The City expressly reserves the right to refuse, revoke or cancel any boat well permit for non-observance or violation of any of the provisions and regulations herein listed.

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